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## Lava Beds National Monument News Release

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### **Lava Beds National Monument and the Tule Lake Unit Hosting Community Meeting and 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

TULELAKE, CA – Lava Beds National Monument and the Tule Lake Unit would like to invite the public to a community meeting on Wednesday, November 18. The event will be at the Honker in Tulelake and will run from 6 pm to 8 pm.

This informal meeting will be an opportunity to meet the new superintendent of both parks, Larry Whalon, and to hear updates about what the parks have been working on this year. Staff will discuss several park programs and upcoming events, including the Youth Conservation Corps, volunteering in parks, the 2016 Tule Lake Pilgrimage, and the National Park Service Centennial. There will be time set aside for open discussion and questions, and light refreshments will be served.

The meeting will also be an opportunity to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the establishment of Lava Beds National Monument, which officially falls on November 21.

“I am looking forward to meeting more members of the local community and talking about all of the exciting things that are happening at Lava Beds and the Tule Lake Unit,” Whalon said.

“There will be a lot of ways to get involved with the parks next year for the centennial, and this meeting is a great way to kick off the celebration.”

For more information on attending the public meeting, please contact Larry Whalon at [larry\\_whalon@nps.gov](mailto:larry_whalon@nps.gov) or (530) 667-8101.

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*Lava Beds National Monument, established in 1925, is a land of turmoil, both geologic and historic. Over the last half-million years, volcanic eruptions have created a rugged landscape dotted with diverse volcanic features. Lava tube caves, Native American sites, historic battlefields and a high desert wilderness experience await you!*

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*The Tule Lake Unit of World War II Valor in the Pacific, established in 2008, is a nationally significant site dedicated to telling the story of the cost of war on the home front and the lasting effects of the unjust incarceration of over 29,000 US citizens and long-term residents of Japanese ancestry at the Tule Lake Segregation Center.*

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